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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT : Coordination of Clandestine Intelligence Activities Abroad

1. As a result of the recent [redacted] case and my trip to USARPAC, as well as the indication at the Morning Meeting of a recent European activity by ACSI which was not thoroughly coordinated, I am of the opinion that we should thoroughly review, revise, and strengthen our current instructions to Station Chiefs. Insofar as I am concerned, the official documentation at the national level is entirely adequate to take a firm and unequivocal position as to the authorities and responsibilities of the DCI and as to his delegation of these functions to Station Chiefs.

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2. I have read over quickly the instructions of 16 February 1962 (attached) and have made certain sketchy comments and changes which I hope will give you the thrust of how I feel.

3. I would appreciate your reviewing these instructions in comprehensive detail and making appropriate revisions for my approval. In order to be abundantly certain that there is no misunderstanding on the part of the Station Chiefs and no misunderstanding on the part of outside agencies who may receive copies of these instructions, I would propose that they be issued by the DCI or by me either as Acting DCI or using the authority already delegated to me by the DCI.

4. Please keep me informed of your progress in this matter.

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